S No	*Name of the Scheme*	*Name of the State (Amount provided in lacs of Rupees) in 1990-91*	
		Rajasthan	*Bihar*
9	Mahila Mandals	4 90	1 03
10	Voluntary Action Bureaux	0 54	0 47
11	Family Counselling Centres	2 14	2 42
12	Welfare Extension Projects (CD)	18 86	35 97
13	Welfare Extension Projects (BAP)	26 21	—

Pollution Caused by Petroleum Products

5343 SHRI RAJVEER SINGH
DR LAL BAHADUR RAWAL

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state

(a) whether Government propose to seek technical assistance from foreign countries to check the environmental pollution caused by the petroleum products

(b) if so the details thereof

(c) whether any experimental work has been initiated indigenously or on the basis to this foreign technique in this direction

(d) if so the details thereof and the results achieved so far and

(e) if not the concrete steps being taken by the Government to check the environmental pollution being caused by the petroleum products?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM) (a) Yes, Sir

(b) to (d) Indian Oil Corporation has plans to instal hydro desul Phurisation of Gas Oil at Mathura and Haldia refineries These units are proposed to be based on foreign technology Also the catalytic reforming units at Barauni and Digboi expected to be operational by end 1994, are based on French technology The Research and Development Departments of several Indian companies have also initiated work for developing catalysts used in the reforming units

(e) Does not arise

[*English*]

Common Strategy for Earth Summit

5344 SHRI R SURENDER REDDY
Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state

(a) whether the attention of the Govern

ment has been drawn to the news item captioned "Move to oppose environ 'hegemony" appearing in the Hindustans Times dated February 2,1992:

(b) whether India and other developing countries are evolving a common strategy to oppose the hegemony of the developed countries when they meet for the earth summit to discuss issues relating to environment and development;

(c) if so, the details thereof: and

(d) the details of the proposals formulated by India in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) The news item captioned "Move to oppose environ 'hegemony", was published in the Hindustan times on February 24, 1992.

(b) to (d). On the major issues related to environment and development, the developing countries including India have been meeting frequently in various forums to discuss and evolve a common approach. Examples are the New Delhi meeting of April, 1990 and the Beijing meeting of June 1991. A copy of the Beijing Ministerial Declaration has been placed in Parliament Library for ready reference. In addition, consultations are carried out on a regular basis in forums such as the Group of 77. India has throughout participated in such deliberations and has contributed towards the development of the approach/stand of the developing countries.

[*Translation*]

Hindi Prachar Sabha Institutions in South India

5445. SHRI CHANDRAJEET YADAV: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Hindi Prachar Sabha Institutions in Southern India and the number of the employees working therein;

(b) whether any institution for higher studies and research work has been set up under the Sabha for the post graduate studies, teaching and research purpose;

(c) the number of such institutions in Southern India and the places where they have been set up;

(d) whether employees working in these institutions are being paid the scales approved by UGC;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (c). The Dakshin Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha, Madras, which is a institution of national importance declared by an Act of Parliament has been working for the promotion, development and advancement of Hindi Language in Southern India.

The Sabha has set up an Uchch Shiksha Aur Shodh Sansthan for undertaking Post Graduate studies, teaching and research, at four Centres at Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh), Dharwad (Karnataka), Ernakulam (Kerala) and Madras (Tamil Nadu).

Information about number of employees working in the Sabha is not available.

(d) and (e). According to the information available, faculty members working in the above-mentioned four Post Graduate Centres of the rank of Professors, Readers and Lecturers are being paid according to the scales approved by UGC.